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SUBJECT: MARINE POLLUTION MEETING, 17 APRIL

- 1. JOSE VALLARTA OF MEXICO, AT THE REQUEST OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE III YANKOV, HOSTED A LUNCHEON ATTENDED BY CANADA, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, NEXICO, NIGERIA, FRANCE, INDIA, UK, USSR, US, BRAZIL, (KENYA INVITED, BUT NOT PRESENT).
- 2. CANADA AND US LEAD OFF STRESSING NECESSITY FOR IMPROVEMENT IN ICNT POLLUTION PROVISIONS. MILDLY SUPPORTIVE STATEMENTS MADE BY NEW ZEALAND AND TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. INDIA, BRAZIL, NIGERIA ALL STRESSED THE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE PRESENT ICNT, BUT EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO LOOK AT POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS.
- 3. FRENCH SUPPORTED REOPENING OF ICNT, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO RIGHT OF INTERVENTION AND REGIONAL ENFORCEMENT OF PORT STANDARDS IN THE TERRITORIAL SEA, PROVIDED SUCH CONFIDENTIAL

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STANDARDS GAVE EFFECT TO INTERNATIONALLY-AGREED STANDARDS EVEN THOSE NOT YET IN FORCE.

4. THE UK AND USSR STRESSED DANGERS IN OPENING POLLUTION TEXT, BUT EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY TO MEET AMOCO CADIZ-TYPE INCIDENT. MEXICO (ROZENTAL) GAVE LENGTHY STATEMENT ABOUT THE TORTUOUS

NEGOTIATION OF THE POLLUTION TEXT, AND URGED NO FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS SAVE ON AMOCO CADIZ-TYPE ISSUES.

5. GROUP HAS AGREED TO MEET ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS. THIS SHOULD PROVIDE USEFUL OPPORT TUNITY TO DISCUSS PROCEDURAL SUGGESTIONS TO BE MADE IN FIRST SCHEDULED MEETING OF THIRD COMMITTEE ON THURSDAY MORNING. RICHARDSON

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